

Church News

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some house of worship, at a cost of about \$20,000.

VIRGINIA.

Mt. Horeb: On November 28 Rev. C. B. Ratchford was installed pastor of this church. It was a day long to be remembered by the people of this congregation and community. By the appointment of Lexington Presbytery, Rev. Chas. R. Stribling preached and presided. Rev. J. N. Van Devanter delivered the charge to the pastor, and Rev. C. L. Altfather the charge to the people. After two young men had been publicly received into the church, the Lord's Supper was celebrated. The beautiful Sabbath morning, the devout and reverent congregation, the solemn and impressive service, all contributed to make the day memorable in the annals of this church. This is one of the strong churches of Lexington Presbytery, and under the leadership of Rev. C. B. Ratchford ought to exert a yet wider influence for God.

New Church at Louisa: Sunday, December 19, was a happy day for a little band of Presbyterians living at Louisa, Va. On that day a commission of West Hanover Presbytery met there and organized the "Louisa Presbyterian Church". The organization was effected immediately after the morning service, with eight charter members. The new congregation proceeded at once to elect Messrs. J. Reid Wills and T. W. Bittle elders, and Messrs. Chas. W. Donnally and Phillip B. Porter deacons. These officers were ordained and installed at the evening service. At the close of the night service the session met and received five other members and elected Mr. C. W. Donnally superintendent of their Sunday-school. All of the members of this new church were members of Wills Memorial, several miles distant, and because of the distance have long desired a church nearer. For some time the pastor of Wills Memorial Church, Rev. Hugh H. Hudson, has been preaching at Louisa occasionally, and found there a capable and zealous band of Christians. They have already raised something on a church building and will organize a Sunday-school and Ladies' Aid Society very soon.

Falling Spring: The Rev. W. Troyman Williams, son of W. T. Williams, Esq., of Woodstock, was ordained to the gospel ministry on Sunday, December 12, and installed pastor of this Church. Rev. R. H. Fleming, D.D., of Lynchburg, presided in the impressive service and preached the sermon.

Lynchburg: Rev. P. Bernard Hill, for three years pastor of the Rivermont Avenue Presbyterian Church, has announced from his pulpit that he had decided to accept the call of the West End Church, Roanoke. He has not decided when the resignation will be effective. He will be first pastor of this new Roanoke work.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Keyser: The membership of the Presbyterian Church had a great overflow of goodness of heart Tuesday that was evidenced in a large and valuable portion of family necessities bestowed upon their popular pastor, Rev. M. B. Lambdin. The delivery wagon of the Thompson Furniture Company was pressed into service for the occasion. In addition to this generous "providing" by the membership of the church, the Ladies' Aid Society has recently installed a handsome and expensive gas range in the main kitchen.

PERSONALS.

Rev. C. B. Boyles has taken charge of the Linden group.

Rev. W. E. Hutchinson is supplying temporarily the church at Moundville, Ala., in connection with his work in Tuscaloosa.

Rev. L. G. Hames accepts the call to Cartersville, Ga., subject to the action of the Presbytery of Tuscaloosa.

Rev. H. C. Moon is supplying the Concord Church for the present.

Rev. Dr. Egbert W. Smith, of Louisville, Ky., has been on a visit to his old home, Greensboro, N. C. He preached in his former charge, the First Church, Greensboro, at the last communion.

Rev. J. E. Summers, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, has been dismissed to the Presbytery of Concord, special resolutions of appreciation being passed in connection with his transfer. He has been the faithful and efficient stated clerk of Mecklenburg Presbytery.

Rev. W. C. C. Foster changes his address from Brownsville, Texas, to Gainesville, Ala.

IMPORTANT.

The Men's Association of the Franklin Street Presbyterian Church of Baltimore, Rev. Harris E. Kirk, pastor, is desirous of securing the co-operation of all pastors and friends of young men who come to Baltimore, either to engage in business or to enter the various institutions of learning in that city, and to that end they ask that the names and addresses of any of their friends who are now in that city be sent to this association. The association will take pleasure in looking up these young men and inviting them, not only to become a member of their association, but also to ally themselves with the work of the Franklin Street Church during their stay in Baltimore. Address Men's Association, Franklin Street Presbyterian Church, Baltimore, Maryland.

THE PRESBYTERIAN HOSPITAL OF NEW ORLEANS.

This is an appeal to Christian men and women to assist in the care and relief of the sick and suffering of a mighty city and its surrounding country, and to do so in the name of Jesus Christ, the Great Physician. New Orleans is a city of at least 300,000 inhabitants and lies at the foot of the richest valley in the world; at its wharves are to be seen ships of all nations; its streets throng with peo-

ple from all corners of the earth. New Orleans is not only great in wealth and growing in importance, but it is also, as American cities go, old in years; it has fine schools and splendid charitable institutions and many churches. But, until last January, although there are in it 35,000 professed members of white Evangelical churches, it had no distinctly Christian (in the Protestant sense) institution of healing. Our Presbyterian hospital has been organized to supply this need. Since its opening the Presbyterian hospital has gained an immediate place in the life of the community. From the first it has had the good wishes and sympathy of our enlightened citizenship, as was proven by the large and representative gathering on the day of its inception, January 14, 1909. Month by month the number of its patients has increased; the good treatment of these has been uniform, and a number of most satisfactory cures have resulted. The hospital is under the control of a Board of Managers, whose names are signed to this appeal. Although the Board of Managers are required to be members of the Presbyterian church, the institution is in all other respects strictly undenominational; patients of every creed and condition are heartily received, and no discrimination in their treatment is made. Among the Medical Board are: Drs. John F. Oechser, Dr. C. Jeff Miller, Dr. D. L. Watson, Dr. E. L. McGehee and twenty other of the best physicians in the city. As yet our institution has been operated only as a free clinic, but now there is tremendous pressure upon us to secure larger and more suitable quarters so that we may not only meet the increasing demand for more departments for the clinic, but also that we may place beds for the treatment of pay and charity patients whom we are turning away almost daily for lack of room. The board has therefore just contracted to purchase a fine, well-located building suitable for our immediate needs and surrounded by spacious grounds. To make the first payment and for necessary alterations we need, at once, \$6,000. Trusting in your liberality, we appeal to you to help us just at this crisis in one of the following ways:

(1) By a monthly subscription for a larger or smaller amount, as you may be able; if so, please forward to Mr. Alfred Raymond, treasurer, 1324 Nashville Ave., New Orleans.

(2) By a memorial foundation, giving any sum from \$100 and up in memory of some loved one to furnish equipment or to support a room or department.

(3) By an outright donation.

Make all gifts to The Presbyterian Hospital of New Orleans, and send checks or cash to Mr. Alfred Raymond, treasurer, 1324 Nashville avenue, New Orleans.

This whole movement is projected on faith; it has the formal approval of the Presbytery of New Orleans; it is baptized in daily prayer; its supreme purpose is to glorify Jesus Christ and, through healing done in his name, to